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Victory for common sense as waste plan withdrawn

By Owen Hughes

CAMPAIGNERS won "a significant victory for common sense" forcing a housing association to backtrack on "stupid" waste storage plans.

Basingstoke residents responded angrily to plans to store potentially hazardous materials in South Ham, forcing Sovereign Housing Association to retract its application to open a waste storage facility there.

Sovereign submitted plans to Hampshire County Council in February to change an area of waste ground on Tennyson Way into space to store waste such as bonded asbestos and gas discharge tubes.

Sovereign revealed feedback from residents across Basingstoke has forced a U-turn in its application.

Liane Sheppard, Sovereign's operations director, said: "Having spent time talking and listening to our residents in Tennyson Way, we've decided not to go ahead with plans to turn an unused piece of land into a secure storage area."

"However, as part of the consultation, residents came up with some possible alternative uses, which we'll now work through, to see what would be suitable for the area and for our residents."

South Ham ward councillor and deputy mayor Sean Keating said: "We have orchestrated and helped

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Cheque out solicitors' fundraising!



The Clarke & Son team celebrate smashing their £50,000 fundraising target outside the firm's Basingstoke offices as partner Claire Redhead and marketing manager Darren Lovegrove hand over the cheque to Ark Cancer Centre Charity trustee Merv Rees (left).
Picture: Sarah Gaunt Photography

Legal eagles swooped to fly past their £50,000 fundraising target for a Basingstoke-based cancer charity.

Staff from Clarke & Son Solicitors, in Winchester Road, have raised more than £55,000 for Ark Cancer Centre Charity over a three year period.

Charity golf days, a 24-hour rowathon and a charity ball helped pull in the pounds with match-funding support from Greenham Trust through The Good Exchange funding platform.

The fundraising achievement was celebrated with the presentation of a

giant cheque to Ark Cancer Centre Charity trustee Merv Rees.

He said: "The support from the Clarke & Son team has been absolutely awesome."

"I am delighted and grateful that they have decided to continue their

fundraising campaign into another year."

Clarke & Son marketing manager Darren Lovegrove said the team are "passionate supporters of Ark" and "delighted to have hit this ambitious fundraising target".

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Plenty to blog about now

By Owen Hughes

BASINGSTOKE bloggers styled their way to a national award.

Basingstoke-based digital marketing agency The Typeface Group won the Business, PR, Marketing and Communications category at the UK Blog Awards.

The award recognises the blog that the company runs on its website offering tips, advice and insight on digital communications and marketing.

This is the first time The Typeface Group has won a national award, having previously enjoyed success at Hampshire's Inspire business awards.

Director Natalie Weaving has also been a finalist at the southern Women in Business awards in 2016.

She said: "As a company, we're here to help support businesses to grow and reach their potential with their online presence."

"Each member of the team at The Typeface Group is an expert in their own field so we work hard to share that knowledge on our now award-winning blog."

"The UK Blog awards recognise game changers and leading bloggers with their own areas of expertise - so we're absolutely delighted that our team are up there performing at the top of the game."

Natalie co-founded the company with managing director Polly Buckland five years ago.

Polly said: "I couldn't be happier for the team to have won this incred-



The Typeface Group team of from left, Megan Norris, Rebecca Chivers, Jude Peppis-Clay, Polly Buckland, Natalie Weaving, Jenya Steanson, Shannon Valentine won the award at the Marriott Hotel in Grosvenor Square, London on Friday. Picture: Adam Pegg of Trataka Photography

ible award. Success at the UK Blog Awards is a real coup for us - there was some huge competition within the category from some amazing fellow businesses across the UK.

"It's a real testimony to the work that goes on here to share our knowledge in such a fast moving space to help other individuals and businesses to benefit from our expertise."

Sareta Fontaine picked up the Business Lifestyle and Business Social Influencer awards and uses The

Typeface Group to develop SEO and branding strategies for her website Kiki Blah-Blah.

Sareta said: "The Typeface Group really know how to do it right."

"I make sure I read their posts every week for straightforward tips that I can apply to my own blogging activities."

The Typeface Group has a team of six writers, designers and SEO experts who support companies with their marketing activities.

Strutting summer fashion on the catwalk

BASINGSTOKE fashionistas can soak up the latest summer fashion trends this weekend.

The season's fashion trends will be showcased live on the catwalk at Festival Place with a free Personalisation Station staffed by skilled embroiderers from Hand & Lock.

Shoppers will be able to choose a design and watch as it is stitched on to their new purchases bought from any fashion retailer in the shopping

centre throughout Love Fashion Weekend.

Steven Connolly, centre director at Festival Place, said: "It is a great event, enjoyed by all."

"We have such a wide variety of fashion retailers, so we cater for all shoppers no matter what their style and budget."

"It's all about bringing the glamour of Fashion Week to Festival Place in a fun, family atmosphere, giving shop-

pers the chance to find out about the latest trends at our catwalk shows, before picking out their perfect outfit to be personalised."

"We're expecting it to be a busy weekend and very much looking forward to two days of fashion fun!"

The hour-long catwalk shows will take place at 11am, 12pm, 1pm, 2pm, 3pm and 4pm on Saturday and at 12pm, 2pm, 3pm and 4pm on Sunday - just turn up and enjoy.

InBrief

Tributes to greatly-respected councillor

BASINGSTOKE and Deane Borough Council has paid tribute to councillor Nigel Pierce, the chair of the scrutiny committee, who died at St Michael's Hospice on April 14.

A lover of the arts and theatre, Cllr Pierce was chair of the Haymarket Theatre Trust and set up a bursary scheme for aspiring artists.

Chief executive Melbourne Barrett said: "Cllr Pierce will be sadly missed."

"He was well liked at the council and greatly respected by his fellow councillors and officers, especially in his expert chairing of the scrutiny committee."

"Cllr Pierce worked hard for the local community, both as a ward councillor and through his support for local organisations and community groups, and made a positive difference."

A service for Cllr Pierce will be held at St Leonards Church, Oakley, at 2pm on Thursday May 3.

The family, who were with Mr Pierce when he died, have asked guests to wear bright colours to the ceremony.

West End show

TALENTED students from Stagecoach Performing Arts Basingstoke stepped into the West End spotlight earlier this month.

The children performed songs such as Blondie's Call Me, and After the Rains from upcoming Broadway musical This is My Life at the iconic Shaftesbury Theatre.

Correction

IN last week's story about Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council employees paid more than £100,000 in the tax year 2016/17, we incorrectly named the head of law and governance as Bhupinder Gill.

Mr Gill did not become an employee of the council until March 2017, on a temporary contract. He was then appointed to the role in July 2017.

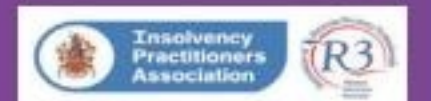
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Celebrating her centenary

CELEBRATIONS were in full swing for a care home resident in Basingstoke who marked her centenary in style.

Cherry Blossom Manor resident Mary Wythe was joined by staff, relatives, friends and other residents to mark her landmark 100th birthday on April 7 with a celebratory lunch.

Party guests also enjoyed a slice of special birthday cake prepared by the home's chef, Matt.

Mary's son Peter led a small service and reading of her favourite psalm followed by a group sing along of her most cherished hymns.

Mary had a tough start to life after being left outside a shop in Newbury by her maternal mother before being adopted at the age of four.

During the war, Mary was called up to make bombs but was forced to

move up north and away from her loving family.

Mary raised five children with her husband on a farm once the war was over and moved to Cherry Blossom Manor almost seven years ago.

Although Mary is unable to verbally express her emotions at turning 100, she still enjoyed seeing her children Olive, Annie, Christine, Peter and Ruth and her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

General manager Gigi said Mary, one of the home's first residents, is a "truly remarkable woman".



Mary celebrated her 100th birthday surrounded by family and friends and with a card from The Queen

Care home scores top marks

By Owen Hughes

RESIDENTS, family members and friends have praised a Basingstoke care home in a national survey.

Marnel Lodge care home in Basingstoke received an overall performance rating on 996 out of 1,000 by residents in a nationwide survey, an improvement of 62 points from last year.

Family members and friends gave the care home an overall rating of 868, up 60 points on 2017's results.

The Your Care Rating survey is the country's largest survey of care home

residents, their families and friends.

More than 16,700 residents in 820 care homes across the UK responded to the residents' survey, which achieved a 41 per cent response rate.

A further 48 per cent of relatives and friends of residents at 686 homes responded to the survey.

In addition to an overall performance rating, care homes are rated on four other categories: staff and care, home comforts, choice and having a say, and quality of life.

Residents scored Marnel Lodge 1,000 for choice and having a say, 999

for staff and care, 999 for quality of life and 983 for home comforts.

Family and friends awarded the care home 918 for quality of life, 876 for having a say, 852 for home comforts and 847 for staff and care.

Marnel Lodge general manager Scott Lindfield said: "It's great that not just our residents, but their families and friends value the care they receive at Marnel Lodge."

"Most of our scores across the four themes are really positive, which shows that life for our residents is happy and fulfilling and is recognised

by their loved ones.

"While we're really pleased with our scores, we obviously want to get even better and the survey helps us do that by giving us direct resident and friends and family feedback."

"Families can also see at a glance which care homes are committed to raising standards and being transparent as they take part in the survey."

"Every care home resident, and their family and friends, should be able to speak up about their care and this is what the Your Care Rating survey does - it gives them a voice."

Calls for public vote on Brexit

PRO-EUROPEAN campaigners met in Basingstoke on Tuesday last week to pressure MPs in North Hampshire into a public vote on the final Brexit deal.

The new group, for members of the European Movement UK, is in support of the People's Vote campaign demanding a public vote on Brexit.

A series of events are planned for constituencies around Hampshire to convince residents to join their cause.

Tim Verboven of the European Movement's national campaigns team spoke about a day of action last Saturday.

His advice about building support in the area has inspired the new group.

North Hampshire for Europe's acting secretary Philip Nield said: "Brexit is too big to ignore and it's not a done deal."

"We want our local MPs, Maria Miller, Kit Malthouse and Ranil Jayawardena to be well aware that there are many of their constituents who see that the Government's handling of the Brexit process is in a mess."

"It's very likely MPs will be presented with a bad deal."

"This decision is too important for politicians to decide alone."

North Hampshire for Europe is planning a street stall in Basingstoke on Saturday to help spread its message.

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residents to individually appeal to the county council and planning department.

"All three councillors in the borough objected individually, the county council objected individually, and at least 20 of the 28 immediate residents objected."

"It's a significant victory for common sense because we walked around the site with the Sovereign representative and said 'look there's houses here, they're immediately in front of you and you want to turn it into a dump'."

"When you look at it, if you put hazardous waste material into a space of handkerchief size on a housing estate, you're asking for trouble. Some people have been quite distressed, it's a wonderful victory for common sense."

The proximity of the proposed site to homes in the area caused a flood of objections to the council.

Mrs Grant of Hill View Road demanded the council considers unused brownfield sites, while

Sheryl Carpenter of Kelvin Way slammed the plans as "totally unacceptable".

Sovereign spoke with Tennyson Way residents at the proposed site and held a drop-in session at its Basingstoke office to show residents plans, answer questions and listen to their feedback.

Sovereign will now begin the process of looking for potential alternative safe and secure locations to dispose of waste taken from repairs on its properties in Basingstoke.

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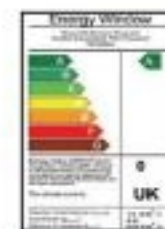
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First tree planted to launch peace garden

By Owen Hughes

SEEDS have been sown for a new Peace Garden in Basingstoke's War Memorial Park as a lasting celebration of peace and reconciliation.

Members of the Peace Garden Advisory Group, which is supported by Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council, planted one of the first trees on April 6 to mark the start of work on the garden.

Silver birch trees were planted at the recently cleared site during a transformation process to turn the space into community garden.

The garden will include a circular paved space with water feature and seating surrounded by trees, foliage and flowers, in the corner of the park close to the aviary.

There will also be a bust honouring facial plastic surgeon Sir Harold Gillies, who pioneered reconstructive surgery for wounded servicemen during both world wars while based at Park Prewett Hospital, now Rookdown.

It is due to open on International Day of Peace on September 21.

The Peace Garden Advisory Group has received £40,000 from the borough council's Local Infrastructure Fund, to supplement £23,667 from developer contributions.

The John Lewis Partnership has donated a further £885 through a community matters scheme after Basingstoke customers voted for their favourite community project.

The Rookdown Club is donating



Peace Garden Advisory Group members, from left, Stephen Pashley, Debbie Reavell, Catherine Waters-Clark, chairman Pip Iles and Tammy Lake

ing £5,000 to the garden and commissioning the bust of Sir Harold.

Peace Garden Advisory Group chairman Pip Iles said: "It is very exciting to see the first trees and plants in place at the site."

"We are now looking forward to watching the garden take shape over the spring and summer months."

"War Memorial Park is a perfect setting for this community garden and everybody involved

in the project hopes that borough residents and visitors will find it a place to sit and enjoy some quiet contemplation.

"It is fitting that this community celebration of peace and reconciliation is planned to open on this year's International Day of Peace."

To find out more or to offer support, email PeaceGardenAdvisoryGroup@basingstoke.gov.uk or visit: <https://bit.ly/2Hdbf6R>

Housing team hoping to make a real change

BASINGSTOKE triathletes will swim, cycle and run the extra mile to support rough sleepers.

Four housing team officers from Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council are well on their way towards their £500 target to support homeless people through the Real Change Not Loose Change campaign.

Neil Atkinson, Rachel Fletcher, Debbie Mason and David Pullar are training for the 2018 Optimum Performance Clinic Hart Adult Sprint Distance Triathlon on bank holiday May 7.

Working together as a team, they will complete a 400m pool swim, 20km bike and 5km run.

Neil said: "As members of the council's housing team, we often deal with situations involving homeless people or those facing homelessness and we understand the difficult issues they face."

"We wanted to show that we go the extra mile to help and opted to raise money for the fantastic Real Change campaign which aims to continue supporting homeless people in our community."

"The triathlon housing team is getting fired up to raise at least £500 to help the Real Change campaign, please support us."

The council provided rough sleepers with night shelter during



ing the past two winters and vital funding for the Camrose Day Centre and Julian House.

To sponsor the team visit: <https://bit.ly/2EZVwBS>

From left, Debbie Mason, Neil Atkinson, David Pullar and Rachel Fletcher from the council's housing team in training for their triathlon challenge next month

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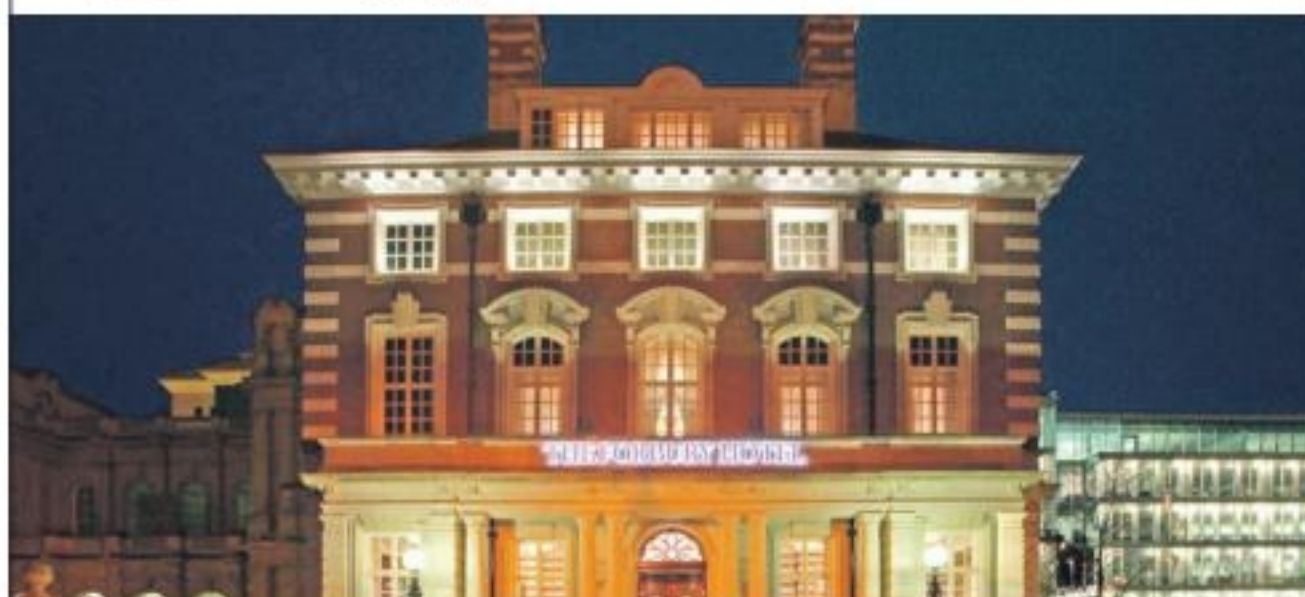
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Appeal for new home from home

By Owen Hughes

A NATIONAL cancer charity has launched an appeal to support a new Home from Home lifeline for Basingstoke families.

CLIC Sargent, a cancer charity for children and young people, launched the fundraising appeal to cover the £1.6million cost for buying and adapting a house offering free accommodation for families.

More than £1.2m has already been raised thanks to support from donors, including Children with Cancer UK, Signet and Sir Jules Thorne Charitable Trust.

CLIC Sargent is seeking to raise the

remaining £400,000 to fully renovate and furnish the house.

Jean's House will open in Southampton this autumn and provide free accommodation for Basingstoke families travelling to principal centres in places such as Southampton General Hospital.

The new house has seven en-suite family bedrooms that can each sleep up to four people.

There will also be two open plan kitchen/diners, two lounges and a teenagers' space, helping families spend more time together and avoid often debilitating travel and accommodation costs.

The charity was granted planning

permission for the conversion in October last year.

The new home will replace the existing Home from Home at CLIC Haven, which opened in the grounds of Southampton Hospital in 1991.

After CLIC Sargent's lease of the property from the hospital came to an end, the charity hopes to create a bigger home to meet growing demand for accommodation from desperate families.

CLIC Sargent's UK Home from Home manager, Cecilia Milburn, said: "With the public's support, we will transform the property into a welcoming haven for families going through a really tough time."

"Jean's House has been specially designed to be bigger and better than before, offering more space and comfort for families."

"We are asking for the public's help to house even more families in desperate need, saving them hundreds of pounds and bringing crucial comforts in a time of great turmoil."

Occupancy at the house has been over 90 per cent in recent months.

More than 300 families have stayed at the house over the last two years, many for several months.

To donate to CLIC Sargent's appeal, text HOME to 70020 to donate £3 or donate online at: <https://bit.ly/2HPUgVj>

Dance music DJ to star on B Love stage

ONE of the brightest new stars in dance music will headline this summer's Basingstoke music festival.

DJ and record producer Wilkinson will headline the B LOVE main Stage on Saturday July 7.

The rising star of the dance music scene is best known for his top five chart hit Afterglow, which sold 500,000 copies and gained 65 million views on YouTube.

Wilkinson will perform his DJ set featuring MC Ad-Apt.

A performer at festivals including Radio 1 Big Weekend and Glastonbury, his hits have included Half Light featuring Tom Cane, Dirty Love featuring Talay Riley and new release Take it Up with Sub Focus.

Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council's arts and events manager Ross Harvie said the festival will give "Basingstoke-born performers a unique platform to showcase their work alongside national acts".

"We're looking forward to announcing headliners for all of our stages very soon, as well as our line-up for the main stage, providing more information on all the acts taking part this year."

"With such a diverse mix of music, displays and family-friendly activities, there is truly something for everyone at this year's music festival."

More than 70 live music acts will take to the five stages in War Memorial Park on July 7 and 8.

DJ out of tune with TV show

A TONE deaf Basingstoke DJ and bowling centre legend put his vocal skills to the test when he appeared on an ITV prime time singing contest on Sunday.

Matt Vaughan, formally of Hatch Warren and Brookvale in Basingstoke, was transformed into a singing pro during the Change Your Tune episode.

Five terrible singers were tasked with improving their voices by performing in front of a live audience.

Each week, the winning contestant will walk away with £10,000.

DJ Matt, who held a residency at Basingstoke's bowling centre for seven years, said he has "always wanted to be able to sing".

"Working full time and vlogging takes up the majority of my waking hours," he said.

"This was the perfect opportunity to have coaching from some of the industry's best singing teachers to see if they could change my speak singing voice into something musical."

"Since somehow finding the time to travel to London for singing lessons, I have now relocated this to going to the gym to help my fitness."

Despite not winning the episode, Matt still described his time on stage as "awesome".

Matt has more than 14,000 followers on his Diet Journey blog and YouTube channel.



Matt Vaughan giving it his all on stage for the new TV show

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TV presenter calls for wildlife all around us

By Owen Hughes

SPRINGWATCH star and naturalist Chris Packham sprang into action to launch the first UK wildlife audit from Basingstoke.

The goal of Chris's UK Bioblitz Campaign is to highlight the extent to which the nation's species are under threat.

The TV star stopped by Cliddesden near Basingstoke to film the promotional video for the campaign and to observe the wildlife in the nearby meadow.

In the promotional video, Chris spoke with Alison Mosson from the Cliddesden Community Conservation Group about the work undertaken by the group to preserve the wildlife in the meadow.

Alison said: "A lot of villages all clubbed together and went to an auction and we were successful bidding."

"Since then we've prepared the field; we've sown it with lots of wildflower seed but mostly collected from around the area."

"We've got about 120 species of wildflowers and of course all the insects and butterflies and we do hope that more people will come and see the beauty of it."

Chris said "thanks to the endeavours of the locals" the formerly barren field next to the M3 has been replaced with "a much more pleasant walk" that is a "much better place for wildlife too".

The campaign is the first independent citizen scientist audit of



TV presenter Chris Packham visited a meadow in Basingstoke to promote his new wildlife campaign

its kind in the UK.

Beginning in the summer, Chris will stop off at 50 sites across the country and document what he finds in each.

The audit will help measure the rise and fall in numbers of different species in the future.

Chris said: "I'm doing this because I want to highlight that the UK's landscape is in big trouble. We should have a far greater expectation of having wildlife around us all of the time but sadly we find ourselves going to nature

reserves.

"We treat them like they're museums and art galleries."

"Some parts of it are absolutely bereft, they're deserts, and what we want to do is say to people 'that's not good enough'."

"We want wildlife everywhere, nature reserves are not enough"

Chris will return to Cliddesden and other parts of Hampshire for the audit on Monday July 23.

To see the video on the Basingstoke Observer website go to <https://bit.ly/2J9dc0G>.

Majority of children get preferred place

THE majority of Basingstoke parents eager to find a school place for their child for September have been given one of their three preferred choices.

Hampshire County Council announced last week that the vast majority of parents in the county with children due to start school in September at age four and five have been offered a place at one of their preferred primary schools.

One in 20 parents missed out on

a spot at their first choice school.

This included 93.58 per cent granted their top pick, up from 90.86 per cent last year.

The county council processed more than 14,600 applications for school places in reception year.

Of pupils transferring from infant to junior school (Year 3), less than one per cent did not receive a place at one of their choices.

A spokesperson for Hampshire

County Council said: "For a few cases where parents did not secure a place for their child in a school of their choice, parents are advised in their notification about the right to appeal against the refusal and arrangements for their preferred school's waiting list."

"Places may become available before September for a variety of reasons including families moving house or out of the area."

InBrief

Better lung health

A TASKFORCE of 25 representatives is to develop a single five-year plan for improving lung health in England, endorsed by Basingstoke MP Maria Miller.

The group has called for evidence to identify what needs to change to prevent, diagnose and treat lung disease.

There are 6,500 people in Basingstoke who have asthma and 1,500 have chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

Basingstoke residents can get involved by sharing experiences at: <https://bit.ly/2IfzQUE>

Grooming figures

FACEBOOK apps were used in 40 per cent of online grooming cases

recorded in Hampshire, according to the NSPCC.

In the first nine months of a new offence of Sexual Communication with a Child, there were 62 offences recorded in Hampshire.

Police revealed Facebook and apps it owns, Instagram and WhatsApp, were used in 27 of those cases.

NSPCC is calling for a regulator to force social networks to keep children safe.

Plans for care hub

BASINGSTOKE MP Maria Miller welcomed plans to strengthen GP practices by creating a Primary Care Hub at Camrose, Gillies and Hackwood.

Mrs Miller, pictured, said: "The NHS's strategic plan for our area



says that the current model of small GP practices operating on an individual basis is becoming less sustainable.

"The proposed merger of these three practices is an important step in this transformation of primary care."

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Care provider's advice and tips for IBS sufferers

A BASINGSTOKE care provider is supporting irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) awareness throughout April.

Bluebird Care Kingsclere & Hook has issued a list of 'dos and don'ts' for people diagnosed with the chronic disorder that could help alleviate symptoms.

Using fresh ingredients in cooking as much as possible, getting plenty of exercise and trying probiotics are all handy tips put forward by the care service.

Bluebird Care also recommends avoiding delaying or skipping meals, eating too quickly, or drinking more than three cups of tea or coffee a day.

The debilitating disorder is estimated to affect between 10 and 20 per cent of the general population with people aged between 20 and 30 years most likely to suffer from IBS.

Symptoms may include constipation, diarrhoea, bloating and stomach cramps.

Phil Miles, director of Bluebird Care, said: "Initiatives like this are brilliant to help raise awareness and get people to report symptoms to their GP."

"When we're asked to help with meal preparation, we always endeavour to match meals for our clients' individual needs and tastes, and the lovely company of our staff make very relaxed meal times."

The home care provider specialising in people who live with dementia, physical disabilities and other acute and chronic conditions.

Hospitals leading fight in treatment of sepsis

By Owen Hughes

A MAJOR technological breakthrough in the fight against sepsis could save Basingstoke lives.

State of the art diagnostic equipment will allow staff at Hampshire Hospitals to identify the life-threatening condition earlier.

Sepsis affects 260,000 people in the UK every year and early detection will help clinicians provide targeted and more effective treatment sooner.

Hampshire Hospitals, which runs Basingstoke and North Hampshire Hospital, is the first trust in the country to use the Accelerate PhenoTest kit.

Consultant microbiologist and clinical lead for microbiology and infection, Nick Cortes, said: "This is an incredibly exciting time as we are always looking to explore innovative ways to improve patient care through diagnostics."

"This technology brings important benefits to patients as we will be able to get their exact diagnosis earlier, investigate the root cause of sepsis more accurately and get them onto a treatment that we know works, sooner."

"It will also help to reduce the number of antibiotics being used to treat patients, helping to combat antibiotic resistance."

The testing kit has been used in 170 cases and early examples have shown



A member of staff using the new technology at the Basingstoke Hospital

that it is having a positive impact on patient care.

The results give clinicians diagnostic certainty when treating deteriorating patients and preventing the need for some invasive investigations.

Hampshire's microbiology and infection department will continue to be involved in the development of the technology, sharing their experiences with national and international colleagues.

Hampshire Hospitals chief executive Alex Whitfield said: "We are thrilled to be the first hospital in

the UK, and one of only a handful in Europe, to take on this new method of diagnostics as it is just one of the ways we are striving to always deliver the best possible care to our patients."

"As the NHS turns 70 this year, it's remarkable to think how far technology has come to enable our staff to make life changing and lifesaving decisions every day."

"Technology and innovation play a huge part in the NHS, and I am exceptionally proud of our team for being part of this and for being pioneers in their field."

InBrief

Virtual tech is real

VIRTUAL reality blasts its way into Basingstoke next week to support the town's growth in the digital tech sector.

Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council is teaming up with the University of Surrey 5G Innovation Centre and Desk Lodge to host the 5G VR launch event at Belvedere House on May 2 from 4.30pm to 7pm.

Register for the event online at: <https://bit.ly/2qG0uP5>

From 'Stoke to Spain

IT'S adios for a Basingstoke councillor who steps down after representing Grove ward for the past 14 years.

Former health advisor Cllr Steve Day will retire from his position to start life anew in Spain.

The Lib Dem councillor said: "I hope I will be remembered as a strong supporter of the Citizens Advice Bureau, public transport and environmental issues."

John McKay will now lead the Save our Number 12 bus campaign.

Activities changes

PARENTS and carers of children and young people with a disability in Hampshire are being urged to take part in the consultation on proposals for changes to the Short Break Activities programme.

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Full details are online at: <https://bit.ly/2HCWMjW>

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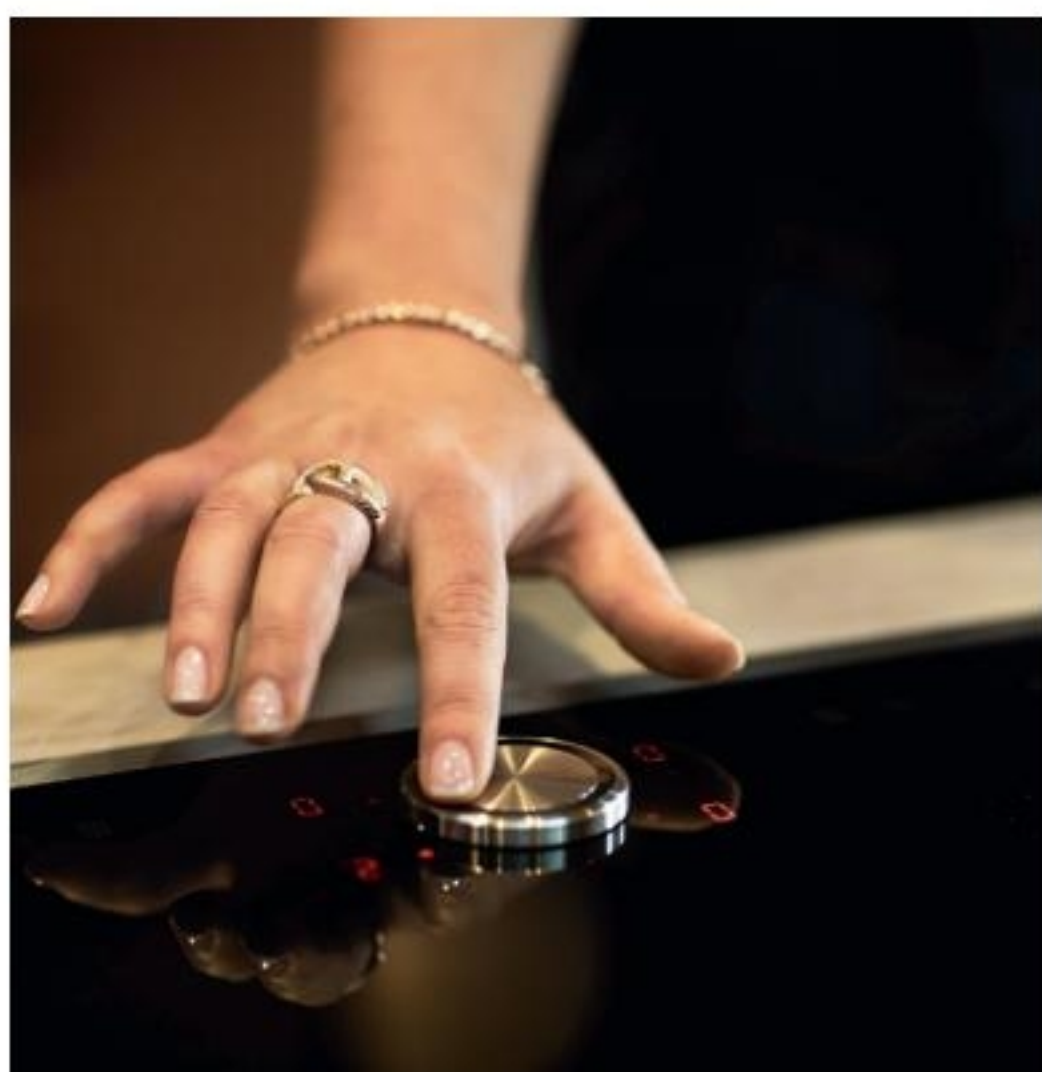
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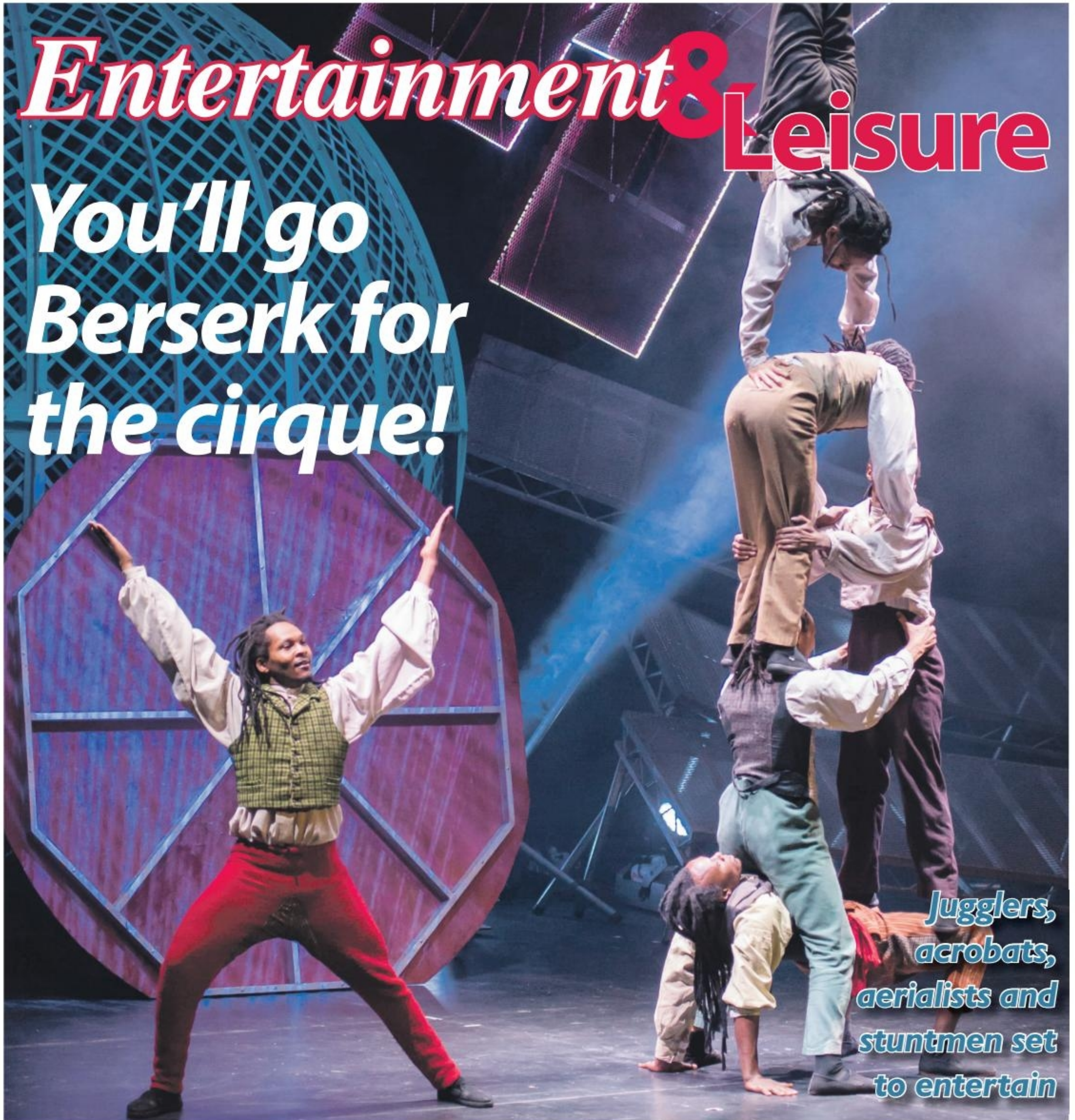
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Go Berserk for unique circus

By Josh Cox

CIRQUE Berserk! will be making its debut in Basingstoke, celebrating the 250th anniversary of the invention of circus.

Dubbed one of the UK's biggest and boldest circuses, the group will be coming to Basingstoke in May.

Combining beautiful contemporary circus artistry with hair-raising, death-defying stunts, all designed specially for staging in a proscenium arch theatre, the show is enthralling for all thrill-seeking audiences.

This year's Cirque Berserk! features the return of its most famous and most dangerous act, the legendary Globe of Death, in which four motorcyclists defy gravity and risk life and limb traversing the inside of a spherical steel cage at speeds of up to 60 miles per hour.

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Founded by Martin 'Zippo' Burton five years ago, Cirque Berserk! has established itself as a leading theatre circus in the UK, tracing their roots back to 1768, when the art of the circus was born by showman and entrepreneur Philip Astley first marked out in a circular arena on an open field in Lambeth and filled it with astonishing equestrian acrobatics.

In its time the circus has picked up rave reviews from The Sun "great for kids and even better for adults!" and Time Out Magazine "heart-stoppingly good fun".

Touring direct from London's West End, the production will play at The Anvil from May 24 to 26 as part of their nationwide 40-week UK tour.

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On stage

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Vintage classics

Vintage are set to play at Wellington Social Club in Basingstoke on May 5 from 9pm till late.

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Raise a glass on the big day

By Josh Cox

CELEBRATING a Royal Wedding has to be done in a quintessentially English style, and where better than the luxurious surroundings and classic elegance of Tylney Hall Hotel & Gardens?

The mansion house hotel near Hook will be screening the Royal Wedding live on Saturday 19 May from 11am, with the ceremony starting at 12pm.

There will be a sumptuous specially-themed Champagne afternoon tea for guests to enjoy as they watch HRH Prince Harry and Meghan Markle tie the knot.

On the menu, created by executive head chef Michael Lloyd, will be a selection of classic finger sandwiches including coronation chicken, smoked salmon and cream cheese, Royal Warrant-holding Buccleuch beef and horseradish, and cucumber and crème fraîche; along with an egg and cress bridge roll and quail's egg scotch egg.

To add the icing on the cake, sweet treats will include chocolate marquises, praline macarons and

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On stage Classic love story

Opera & Ballet International will deliver the classic *Madama Butterfly* at The Anvil on May 3 at 7.30pm.

This award-winning opera returns with exquisite sets boasting a spectacular Japanese garden and fabulous costumes including antique wedding kimonos from Japan.

Tickets range from £30 to £38.

Feel the energy

Classic rock pair NRG are putting on a free gig at The Raven Hotel in Hook on May 11 from 8.30pm.

With just vocals, an acoustic and an electric guitar, the duo create the sound and atmosphere of a full band, with covers of Simon & Garfunkel, Cat Stevens, Bob Dylan, The Eagles, Dire Straits and Kings Of Leon.

A glorious feeling

Basingstoke Amateur Theatrical Society will open its run of *Singin' in the Rain* at The Haymarket on May 9 and run until May 19.

Singin' in the Rain is the hilarious tale of 1920s Hollywood struggling to cope with the introduction of "talking pictures". Stars are born, egos are bruised, and every song and dance number is a lavish spectacle.

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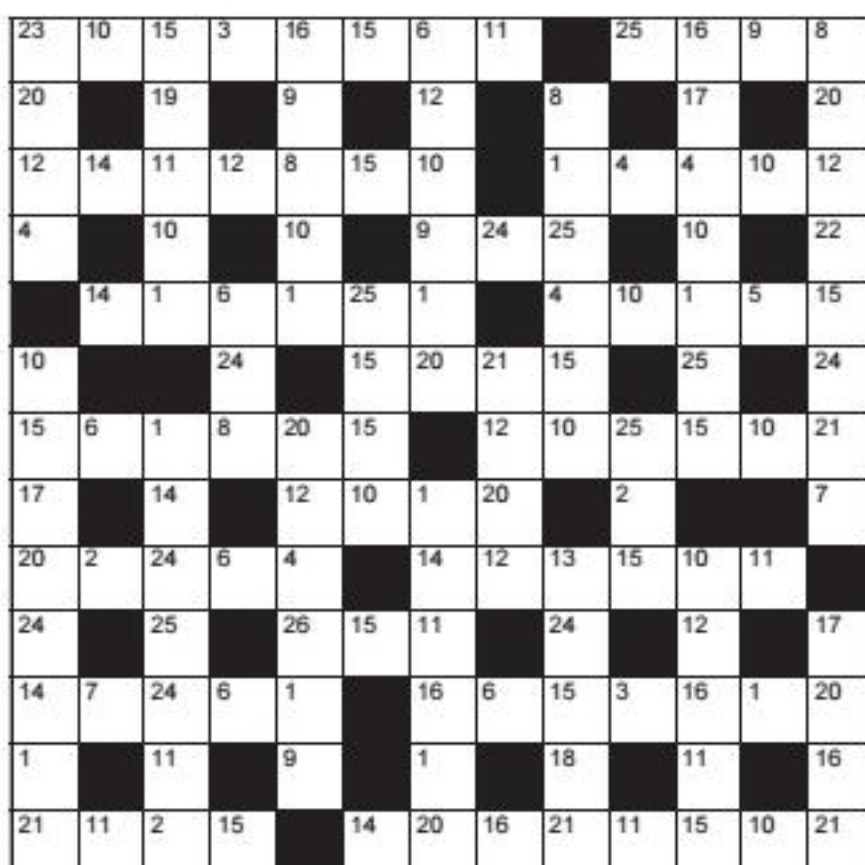
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CROSS CODE



ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

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14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

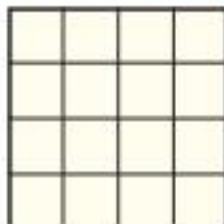
Each number in our Cross Code grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. You have three letters in the control grid to start you off. Enter them in the appropriate squares in the main grid, then use your knowledge of words to work out which letters should go in the missing squares.

As you get the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and control grid. Check off the alphabetical list of letters as you identify them.

MAGIC SQUARE

CAMP PLATE SAMPLES

Using all 16 letters of the phrase above, form four words each of four letters which will fit in the grid to form a magic square in which the words can be read both horizontally and vertically.



Quiz Challenge

1. Car manufacturer Dacia is based in which country?
2. The Victoria Falls is part of which African river?
3. What name is given to the man who leads prayers in a mosque?
4. From Black Holes to the Big Bang is the subtitle of which popular science book?
5. Which comedy panel show, hosted by Rob Brydon, features Lee Mack and David Mitchell as team captains?
6. Las Vegas is the largest city in which desert?
7. The mobile phone company Nokia was founded in which country?
8. In rowing, what name is given to a margin of victory of about five to six feet?
9. Catherine Zeta-Jones played Roxie Hart, a housewife who aspires to be a vaudevillian, in which 2002 musical film?
10. Which nine-letter word containing the letter E three times, means lasting for a very short time?

NONAGRAM



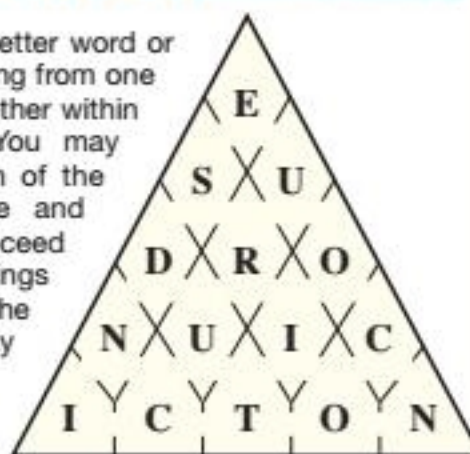
How many words of four letters or more can you make from this Nonagram? Each word must use the central letter, and each letter may be used only once. At least one word using all nine letters can be found.

Guidelines:
16 Good; 19 Very Good; 22 Excellent.

Any word found in the Concise Oxford Dictionary (Tenth Edition) is eligible with the following exceptions: proper nouns; plural nouns; pronouns and possessives; third person singular verbs; hyphenated words; contractions and abbreviations; vulgar slang words; variant spellings of the same word (where another variant is also eligible).

WORD PYRAMID

Spell out a 15-letter word or phrase by moving from one chamber to another within the pyramid. You may only enter each of the chambers once and may only proceed through openings in the walls. The first letter may appear in any chamber.

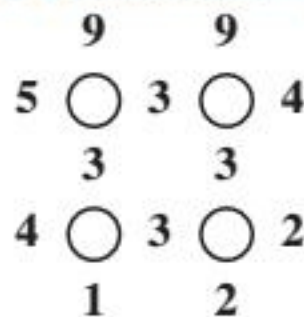


FIVE ALIVE

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Here are two miniature five-square crosswords using the same grid – but the letters have been mixed up. You have to work out which letters belong to which crossword.

EQUALISER

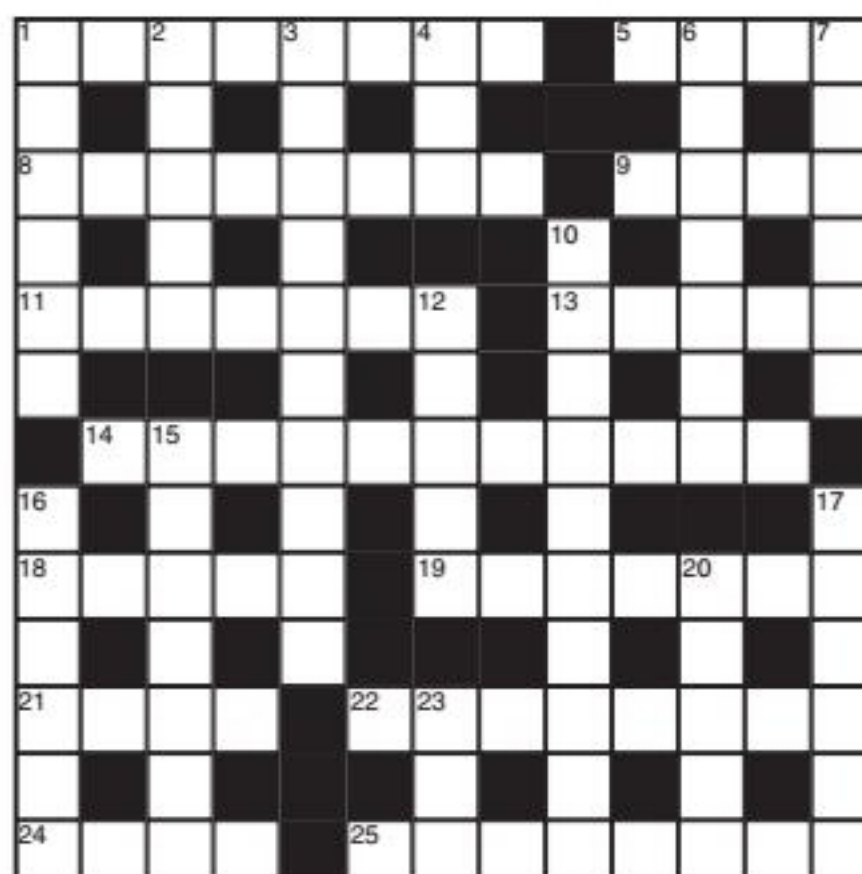


Place the four signs (add, subtract, multiply, divide) one in each circle so that the total of each across and down line is the same. Perform the first calculation in each line first and ignore the mathematical law which says you should always perform division and multiplication before addition and subtraction.

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CRYPTIC CROSSWORD



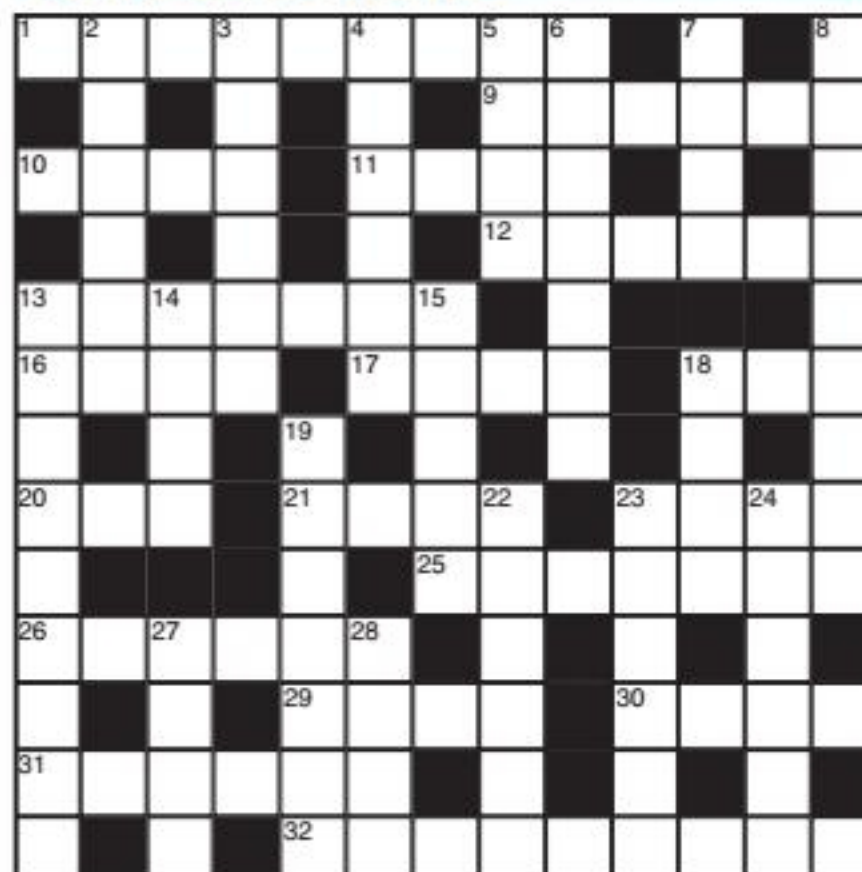
ACROSS

1. Stamp that changes daily (8)
5. Vehicle in which Zulu leader goes as emperor (4)
8. Anyhow uncle had set sail (8)
9. Heroic part of the picture (4)
11. A lot of small grains in the container will help stop flooding (7)
13. Wooden pin coming from hotel (5)
14. Soldiers of a very junior division? (11)
18. Small error pales out of recognition (5)
19. Make a hasty repair to plot of land at university (5,2)
21. Way of moving the entrance, so to speak (4)
22. Sneak in late (8)
24. It was worn out by the Romans (4)
25. Andre hears extra part to practise (8)

DOWN

1. Put a gloss on the tongue? (6)
2. Reject stimulus now to start with (5)
3. One whose job is to hold up the staff – with tear gas? (4-6)
4. Grain for 24 blackbirds? (3)
6. High speed top secret American delivery system (3,4)
7. Noise of a fiddle? (6)
10. Sort of person who is not likely to be found out (4-2-4)
12. Rise and put clothes on (3,2)
15. Moving smartly by checking growth (7)
16. Set of stairs taken by aircraft passengers (6)
17. Scattered spears all over the place (6)
20. Poet or pigeon (5)
23. Said by one who does not agree in Scotland (3)

QUICK CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. Filling with air (9)
9. Simply (6)
10. Brother (US dialect) (4)
11. Russian river (4)
12. Lapwing (6)
13. Mogul (7)
16. Holm-oak (4)
17. Spun thread (4)
18. Craze (3)
20. Illuminated (3)
21. Rush (4)
23. Perfumed powder (4)

25. Cheese on toast (7)
26. Die (inf.) (3,3)
29. Seaweed (4)
30. Splendour (4)
31. Give exact meaning (6)
32. Proficiency (9)

DOWN

2. Usual (6)
3. Throat cavity (6)
4. Reliable (6)
5. Low tide (4)
6. Brave (7)

7. Ukrainian capital (4)
8. Side effect (2-7)
13. Woodlouse (9)
14. Refined man (inf.) (4)
15. Keen (5)
18. Excess body fat (inf.) (4)
19. Irreverent (7)
22. Hurt (6)
23. Spouted vessel (6)
24. Chemical paper (6)
27. Breath (4)
28. Bendable cord (4)

SUDOKU

Easy

Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9, and so must each 3 x 3 box.

Hard

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SOLUTIONS

CROSS CODE:
Across: 1. Dacia; 2. Zambezi; 3. Imam; 4. A Brief History of Time; 5. Would I Lie to You?; 6. Mojave Desert; 7. Finland; 8. Carnage; 9. Chicago; 10. Ephemeral.
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Amazing physical comedians the

Closing date: Thursday, May 17, 2018

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Q: How many bikers perform in the Globe of Death at Cirque Berserk?

T&Cs: Cirque Berserk! will contact winners to arrange their show tickets. There is no cash alternative. The organisers' decision is final.

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Eastbourne and Beachy Head with Fish and Chip Lunch; Thursday 17th May; Price: £45 per person



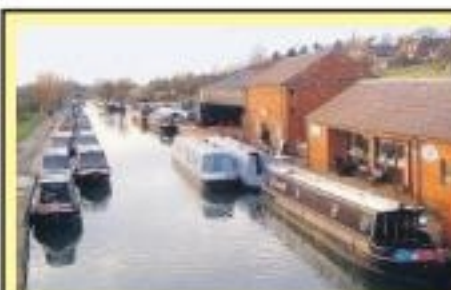
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BBC 1

5.15pm
Pointless

9.15am Rip Off Britain
10.00am Homes Under the Hammer
11.00am Heir Hunters
11.45am The Housing Enforcers

12.15pm Bargain Hunt
1.00pm BBC News at One
1.30pm Regional News and Weather
1.45pm Doctors
2.15pm 800 Words
3.00pm Escape to the Country
3.45pm Flipping Profit
4.30pm Flog It!
5.15pm Pointless

6.00pm BBC News at Six
6.30pm Regional News and Weather
7.00pm The One Show
7.30pm EastEnders
8.00pm The Truth About Obesity
9.00pm Ambulance
10.00pm BBC News at Ten
10.30pm Regional News and Weather
10.45pm Question Time
11.45pm This Week
12.30am Weather for the Week Ahead
12.35am BBC News
6.00am Breakfast

BBC 2

1.00pm
Snooker

8.00am David Attenborough's Natural Curiosities
8.30am Kate Humble: Off the Beaten Track
9.00am Victoria Derbyshire
11.00am BBC Newsroom Live

12.00pm The Daily Politics
1.00pm Snooker

6.00pm Eggheads
6.30pm Britain in Bloom
7.00pm Antiques Road Trip
8.00pm Super Fast Falcon
9.00pm Civilisations
10.00pm Match of the Day
10.30pm Newsnight
11.15pm World Championship Snooker Highlights
12.05am World Championship Snooker - Extra
2.05am MasterChef
2.35am The Secret Helpers
3.35am Murder, Mystery and My Family

ITV

9.00pm
Harold Shipman

8.30am Lorraine
9.25am The Jeremy Kyle Show
10.30am This Morning

12.30pm Loose Women
1.30pm ITV Lunchtime News
1.55pm ITV News London
2.00pm Judge Rinder
3.00pm Tenable
4.00pm Tipping Point
5.00pm The Chase

6.00pm ITV News London
6.30pm ITV Evening News
7.00pm Emmerdale
7.30pm Tonight
8.00pm Emmerdale
8.30pm Paul O'grady: For the Love of Dogs
9.00pm Harold Shipman
10.00pm ITV News at Ten and Weather
10.30pm ITV News London
10.45pm UEFA Europa League Highlights
11.45pm Play to the Whistle
12.20am Lethal Weapon
1.05am Give it a Year

Channel 4

8.00pm
Location, Location,
Location

7.10am 3rd Rock from the Sun
7.35am Everybody Loves Raymond
8.00am Everybody Loves Raymond
8.30am Frasier
10.05am Ramsay's Hotel Hell
11.00am Undercover Boss USA

12.00pm Channel 4 News
12.05pm Coast v Country
1.05pm Posh Pawnbrokers
2.10pm Countdown
3.00pm A Place in the Sun
4.00pm Escape to the Chateau: DIY
5.00pm Four in a Bed
5.30pm Buy it Now
6.00pm The Simpsons
6.30pm Hollyoaks
7.00pm Channel 4 News

8.00pm Location, Location, Location
9.00pm 999: What's Your Emergency?
10.00pm True Horror
11.05pm Gogglebox
12.00am The Real Football Fan Show
12.35am The Island with Bear Grylls
1.30am The Secret Life of the Zoo
2.25am Class of Mum and Dad
3.20am Come Dine Champion of Champions
4.15am Building the Dream
5.10am Fifteen to One
6.00am Countdown
6.45am 3rd Rock from the Sun

Channel 5

9.00pm
Can't Pay? We'll
Take it Away!

8.20am Floogals
8.35am Digby Dragon
8.55am Rusty Rivets
9.05am Mofy
9.15am The Wright Stuff
11.15am The Yorkshire Vet

12.10pm 5 News Lunchtime
12.15pm GPs: Behind Closed Doors
1.15pm Home and Away
1.45pm Neighbours
2.15pm NCIS
3.15pm The Front
5.00pm 5 News at 5
5.30pm Neighbours
6.00pm Home and Away
6.30pm 5 News Tonight

7.00pm The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door
8.00pm Bad Tenants, Rogue Landlords
9.00pm Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
10.00pm Michael Portillo: Our Housing Crisis - Who's to Blame?
11.30pm Where There's Blame, There's a Claim
12.00am Super Casino
3.10am GPs: Behind Closed Doors
4.00am Tattoo Disasters UK
4.25am Tattoo Disasters UK
4.45am House Doctor
5.10am Wildlife SOS

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Friday April 27th

TOP TV

MORNING

AFTERNOON

EVENING

BBC 1

9.00pm Have I Got News for You



9.15am Rip Off Britain
10.00am Homes Under the Hammer
11.00am Heir Hunters
11.45am The Housing Enforcers

12.15pm Bargain Hunt
1.00pm BBC News at One
1.30pm Regional News and Weather
1.45pm Doctors
2.15pm 800 Words
3.00pm Escape to the Country
3.45pm Flipping Profit
4.30pm Flog It!
5.15pm Pointless

6.00pm BBC News at Six
6.30pm Regional News and Weather
7.00pm The One Show
7.30pm Sounds Like Friday Night
8.00pm EastEnders
8.30pm The Button
9.00pm Have I Got News for You
9.30pm Home from Home
10.00pm BBC News at Ten
10.25pm Regional News and Weather
10.35pm The Graham Norton Show
11.25pm Wannabe
11.50pm Tropic Thunder
1.30am Weather for the Week Ahead

BBC 2

10.00pm Episodes



7.15am Rip Off Britain
8.00am Great Continental Railway Journeys
9.00am Victoria Derbyshire
10.00am Snooker

12.00pm The Daily Politics
1.00pm Snooker

6.00pm Eggheads
6.30pm Britain in Bloom
7.00pm Antiques Road Trip
8.00pm Gardeners' World
9.00pm The City and the City
10.00pm Episodes
10.30pm Newsnight
11.05pm Front Row Late
11.35pm World Championship Snooker Highlights
12.25am World Championship Snooker - Extra
2.25am Panorama
2.55am Civilisations

ITV

8.00pm Love Your Garden



8.30am Lorraine
9.25am The Jeremy Kyle Show
10.30am This Morning

12.30pm Loose Women
1.30pm ITV Lunchtime News
1.55pm ITV News London
2.00pm Judge Rinder
3.00pm Tenable
4.00pm Tipping Point

5.00pm The Chase
6.00pm ITV News London
6.25pm Party Election Broadcast
6.30pm ITV Evening News
7.00pm Emmerdale
7.30pm Coronation Street
8.00pm Love Your Garden
8.30pm Coronation Street
9.00pm Lethal Weapon
10.00pm ITV News at Ten and Weather
10.30pm ITV News London
10.45pm The Keith and Paddy Picture Show
11.15pm Through the Keyhole

Channel 4

9.00pm Gogglebox



7.10am 3rd Rock from the Sun
7.35am Everybody Loves Raymond
8.25am Frasier
9.55am Formula 1
11.45am Channel 4 News
11.50am Coast v Country

12.50pm Posh Pawnbrokers
1.55pm Formula 1
3.35pm A Place in the Sun
4.00pm Escape to the Chateau: DIY
5.00pm Four in a Bed
5.30pm Buy it Now

6.00pm The Simpsons
6.30pm Hollyoaks
7.00pm Channel 4 News
7.30pm Unreported World
8.00pm Our Wildest Dreams
9.00pm Gogglebox
10.00pm Lee and Dean
10.35pm 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown
11.35pm First Dates
12.35am Solomon Kane
2.20am True Horror
3.15am Kiss Me First

Channel 5

7.00pm The Gadget Show



8.20am Floogals
8.35am Digby Dragon
8.55am Rusty Rivets
9.05am Mofy
9.15am The Wright Stuff
11.15am Paddington Station 24/7

12.10pm 5 News Lunchtime
12.15pm GPs: Behind Closed Doors
1.15pm Home and Away
1.45pm Neighbours
2.15pm NCIS
3.15pm The Nightmare Nanny
5.00pm 5 News at 5
5.30pm Neighbours
6.00pm Home and Away
6.30pm 5 News Tonight
7.00pm The Gadget Show

8.00pm Britain's Great Cathedrals, with Tony Robinson
9.00pm Portillo's Hidden History of Britain
10.00pm Jack the Ripper: The Missing Evidence
11.00pm Stonehenge
12.00am Super Casino
2.50am The Kennedys: Decline and Fall
4.45am House Doctor
5.10am Wildlife SOS
5.35am House Doctor
6.00am Little Princess
6.10am Wissper

Saturday April 28th

TOP TV

MORNING

AFTERNOON

EVENING

BBC 1

5.50pm Celebrity Mastermind



10.00am Saturday Kitchen Live
11.30am The Hairy Bikers' Asian Adventure

12.00pm Football Focus
1.00pm BBC News
1.15pm Snooker
4.30pm Final Score
5.20pm A Question of Sport
5.50pm Celebrity Mastermind

6.20pm Ready or Not
6.50pm BBC News
7.00pm Regional News and Weather
7.10pm Pointless
8.00pm Who Dares Wins
8.40pm Casualty
9.30pm Mrs. Brown's Boys
10.00pm BBC News
10.20pm Match of the Day
11.45pm The Button
12.15am City Slickers II: The Legend of Curly's Gold
2.00am Weather for the Week Ahead
2.05am BBC News

BBC 2

10.30pm The Assassination of Gianni Versace - American Crime Story



7.10am The Pets Factor
7.30am The Dengineers
8.00am Absolute Genius: Monster Builds
8.30am Beyond Bionic
9.00am Robot Wars
10.00am Snooker

12.00pm Wanted Down Under
12.45pm Flipping Profit
1.30pm In at the Deep End
2.30pm Top of the Shop with Tom Kerridge
3.30pm Top of the Shop with Tom Kerridge
4.30pm Snooker
5.30pm Britain in Bloom

6.00pm Antiques Road Trip
7.00pm Snooker
8.00pm The Forest
8.30pm Dad's Army
9.00pm Civilisations on Your Doorstep
10.00pm Performance Live: Akala Presents the Ruins of Empires
10.30pm The Assassination of Gianni Versace - American Crime Story
11.25pm World Championship Snooker Highlights
12.15am World Championship Snooker - Extra
2.15am Civilisations

ITV

11.20am Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang



8.25am ITV News
8.30am Zoe Ball on Saturday
9.25am Saturday Morning with James Martin
11.20am Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang

1.20pm ITV Lunchtime News
1.30pm ITV Racing: Live from Sandown
4.00pm Tipping Point
5.00pm The Chase

6.00pm ITV Evening News
6.15pm ITV News London
6.30pm Ninja Warrior UK
7.30pm Harry Hill's Alien Fun Capsule
8.00pm Britain's Got Talent
9.20pm The Keith and Paddy Picture Show
9.50pm ITV News
10.05pm Overboard
12.15am Change Your Tune
1.10am Jackpot247
3.00am Babushka
3.50am ITV Nightscreen
6.00am Sooty

Channel 4

9.00pm Iron Man



7.05am King of Queens
7.30am Everybody Loves Raymond
9.00am Frasier
9.30am Frasier
10.00am The Big Bang Theory
10.55am Formula 1

12.25pm FI Meets... Jackie Stewart
12.55pm Formula 1
3.45pm Car S.O.S
4.45pm A Place in the Sun
5.30pm The Secret Life of the Zoo

6.30pm Channel 4 News
7.00pm The Restoration Man
7.00pm Britain's Most Historic Towns
8.00pm Iron Man
11.25pm The Maze Runner
1.30am Undercover Boss USA
2.20am Hollyoaks Omnibus
4.35am Come Dine Champion of Champions
5.30am Steph and Dom's One Star to Five Star
5.55am Kirstie's Vintage Gems
6.05am King of Queens
6.30am King of Queens

Channel 5

6.00pm World's Deadliest Weather: Caught on Camera



9.25am Digby Dragon
9.45am Peppa Pig
9.50am Peppa Pig
9.55am Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
10.30am The Gadget Show
11.25am Police Interceptors

12.25pm Police Interceptors
1.25pm Police Interceptors
2.30pm Live Premiership Rugby
5.15pm World's Scariest Animal Attacks

6.00pm World's Deadliest Weather: Caught on Camera
7.00pm Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
8.00pm Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
8.55pm 5 News Weekend
9.00pm Football on 5
10.00pm Football on 5
10.30pm Dances with Wolves
1.35am Super Casino
3.00am Highlander
5.00am Wildlife SOS
5.25am House Doctor
5.50am Access
6.00am Little Princess

Sunday April 29th

TOP TV

MORNING

AFTERNOON

EVENING

BBC 1

8.00pm
Antiques Roadshow



7.30am Match of the Day
9.00am The Andrew Marr Show
10.00am The Big Questions
11.00am Sunday Politics

12.15pm Rip Off Britain
1.00pm BBC News
1.15pm Bargain Hunt
2.00pm The Truth About Obesity
3.00pm Britain's Fat Fight with Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall
4.00pm Points of View
4.15pm Songs of Praise
4.50pm Pointless
5.35pm BBC News
5.50pm Regional News and Weather

6.00pm The Big Painting Challenge
7.00pm Countryfile
8.00pm Antiques Roadshow
9.00pm The Woman in White
10.00pm BBC News
10.20pm Regional News and Weather
10.30pm Match of the Day 2
11.30pm The Women's Football Show
12.10am Weather for the Week Ahead
12.15am BBC News
6.00am Breakfast

BBC 2

1.00pm
Snooker



7.35am Countryfile
8.30am The Beechgrove Garden
9.00am Saturday Kitchen Best Bites
10.00am Snooker
11.00am Triathlon World Series: Bermuda

12.15pm MOTD2 Extra
1.00pm Snooker

6.00pm Super Fast Falcon
7.00pm Snooker
8.00pm In at the Deep End
9.00pm My Year with the Tribe
10.00pm Famalam
10.20pm Josh Widdicombe
11.20pm World Championship Snooker Highlights
12.10am World Championship Snooker - Extra
2.10am Question Time
3.10am Holby City
4.10am This is BBC Two
6.00am Flog it! Trade Secrets

ITV

3.30pm Paul O'grady: For the Love of Dogs



9.25am Love Your Garden
10.00am Peston on Sunday
11.00am Best Walks with a View with Julia Bradbury
11.30am ITV Lunchtime News
11.40am Britain's Got Talent

12.55pm Britain's Got More Talent
1.55pm Britain's Brightest Family
2.25pm Ninja Warrior UK
3.30pm Paul O'grady: For the Love of Dogs
4.00pm The Real Camilla: HRH the Duchess of Cornwall

5.00pm The Chase: Celebrity Special
6.00pm Harry Hill's Alien Fun Capsule
6.30pm ITV Evening News
6.45pm ITV News London
7.00pm Little Big Shots
8.00pm The Durrells
9.00pm Invitation to a Royal Wedding
10.00pm ITV News
10.20pm Peston on Sunday
11.15pm Last Laugh in Vegas
12.10am This Time Next Year
1.00am Jackpot247
3.00am Motorsport UK
3.50am Take on the Twisters

Channel 4

12.40pm
Formula 1



7.55am Eat the Week with Iceland
9.00am Sunday Brunch

12.00pm Formula 1
12.40pm Formula 1
3.55pm Formula 1
4.30pm Car S.O.S.
5.30pm Grand Designs

6.30pm Channel 4 News
7.00pm Escape to the Chateau
8.00pm The Crystal Maze
9.00pm Homeland
10.05pm Gogglebox
11.00pm 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown
12.00am The Voices
2.00am Happy Bhag Jayegi
4.10am Come Dine Champion of Champions
5.05am Building the Dream
6.00am Countdown
6.45am 3rd Rock from the Sun

Channel 5

1.40pm
Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole



9.25am Peppa Pig
9.35am Peppa Pig
9.40am Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
10.15am Football on 5
11.10am Football on 5
11.40am FIA Formula E: Paris Highlights

12.45pm Police Interceptors
1.40pm Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole
3.30pm Zookeeper
4.30pm 5 News
4.35pm Zookeeper
5.25pm Ace Ventura: Pet Detective

7.00pm Biggest Dog in the World
8.00pm Before They Were Stars
8.55pm 5 News Weekend
9.00pm Most Shocking Talent Show Moments Ever!
12.00am Greatest Celebrity Wind-Ups Ever!
1.00am Super Casino
3.10am GPs: Behind Closed Doors
4.00am World's Most Pampered Pets
4.45am House Doctor
5.10am Wildlife SOS
5.35am House Doctor
6.00am Peppa Pig

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MORNING

AFTERNOON

EVENING

BBC 1

8.00pm
EastEnders

9.15am Rip Off Britain
10.00am Homes Under the Hammer
11.00am A1: Britain's Longest Road
11.45am The Housing Enforcers

12.15pm Bargain Hunt
1.00pm BBC News at One
1.30pm Regional News and Weather
1.45pm Doctors
2.15pm 800 Words
3.00pm Escape to the Country
3.45pm Flipping Profit
4.30pm Flog It!
5.15pm Pointless

6.00pm BBC News at Six
6.30pm Regional News and Weather
7.00pm The One Show
7.30pm Civilisations Stories
8.00pm EastEnders
8.30pm Panorama
9.00pm The Woman in White
10.00pm BBC News at Ten
10.30pm Regional News and Weather
10.45pm Have I Got a Bit More
News for You
11.30pm The Graham Norton Show
12.15am Weather for the Week Ahead
12.20am BBC News

BBC 2

8.00pm
Only Connect

7.15am Rip Off Britain
8.00am Hugh's Wild West
9.00am Victoria Derbyshire
11.00am BBC Newsroom Live
11.30am The Week in Parliament

12.00pm The Daily Politics
1.00pm Snooker

6.00pm Eggheads
6.30pm Britain in Bloom
7.00pm Snooker
8.00pm Only Connect
8.30pm Coast Lives
9.00pm Secret Agent Selection: WW2
10.00pm QI
10.30pm Newsnight
11.15pm World Championship
Snooker Highlights
12.05am World Championship
Snooker - Extra
2.05am Countryfile
3.00am MasterChef

ITV

2.00pm
Judge Rinder

8.30am Lorraine
9.25am The Jeremy Kyle Show
10.30am This Morning

12.30pm Loose Women
1.30pm ITV Lunchtime News
1.55pm ITV News London
2.00pm Judge Rinder
3.00pm Tenable
4.00pm Tipping Point
5.00pm The Chase

6.00pm ITV News London
6.25pm Party Election Broadcast
6.30pm ITV Evening News
7.00pm Emmerdale
7.30pm Coronation Street
8.00pm Give it a Year
8.30pm Coronation Street
9.00pm The Royal Wives of Windsor
10.00pm ITV News at Ten and Weather
10.30pm ITV News London
10.45pm Elton John
12.30am Last Laugh in Vegas
1.40am Jackpot247
3.00am The Jeremy Kyle Show

Channel 4

12.05pm
Coast v Country

7.10am 3rd Rock from the Sun
7.35am Everybody Loves Raymond
8.30am Frasier
9.00am Frasier
10.05am Ramsay's Hotel Hell
11.00am Undercover Boss USA

12.00pm Channel 4 News
12.05pm Coast v Country
1.05pm Posh Pawnbrokers
2.10pm Countdown
3.00pm A Place in the Sun
4.00pm Escape to the Chateau: DIY
5.00pm Four in a Bed
5.30pm Buy it Now

6.00pm The Simpsons
6.30pm Hollyoaks
7.00pm Channel 4 News
8.00pm Holidays Unpacked
8.30pm Tricks of the Restaurant Trade
9.00pm The Island with Bear Grylls
10.00pm Kiss Me First
11.00pm 999: What's Your Emergency?
12.05am First Dates
1.00am Lee and Dean
1.30am Our Wildest Dreams
2.25am Hidden Restaurants
with Michel Roux Jr
3.20am KOTV Boxing Weekly

Channel 5

8.00pm
Police
Interceptors

8.20am Floogals
8.35am Digby Dragon
8.55am Rusty Rivets
9.05am Mofy
9.15am The Wright Stuff
11.15am Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!

12.10pm 5 News Lunchtime
12.15pm The Gadget Show
1.15pm Home and Away
1.45pm Neighbours
2.15pm NCIS
3.15pm Deadly Dance Mom
5.00pm 5 News at 5
5.30pm Neighbours

6.00pm Home and Away
6.30pm 5 News Tonight
7.00pm Aviva Premiership
Rugby Highlights
8.00pm Police Interceptors
9.00pm Paddington Station 24/7
10.00pm Britain's Cocaine Epidemic
11.05pm Gangland
12.05am America's Toughest Prisons
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Tuesday May 1st

TOP TV

MORNING

AFTERNOON

EVENING

BBC 1

3.00pm Escape to the Country



9.15am Rip Off Britain
10.00am Homes Under the Hammer
11.00am AI: Britain's Longest Road
11.45am The Housing Enforcers

12.15pm Bargain Hunt
1.00pm BBC News at One
1.30pm Regional News and Weather
1.45pm Doctors
2.15pm 800 Words
3.00pm Escape to the Country
3.45pm Flipping Profit
4.30pm Flog It!
5.15pm Pointless

6.00pm BBC News at Six
6.30pm Regional News and Weather
7.00pm The One Show
7.30pm EastEnders
8.00pm Holby City
9.00pm The Split
10.00pm BBC News at Ten
10.30pm Regional News and Weather
10.45pm Life and Death Row
11.45pm Obesity: The Post Mortem
12.40am Weather for the Week Ahead
12.45am BBC News
6.00am Breakfast

BBC 2

10.00pm Cunk on Britain



7.10am The Super League Show
8.00am Sea Cities - Brighton
9.00am Victoria Derbyshire
10.00am Snooker

12.00pm The Daily Politics
1.00pm Snooker

6.00pm Eggheads
6.30pm Britain in Bloom
7.00pm Snooker
8.00pm Top of the Shop with Tom Kerridge
9.00pm Hospital
10.00pm Cunk on Britain
10.30pm Newsnight
11.15pm World Championship Snooker Highlights
12.05am World Championship Snooker - Extra
2.05am MasterChef
3.05am Secret Agent Selection: WW2

ITV

7.30pm Devon and Cornwall Cops



8.30am Lorraine
9.25am The Jeremy Kyle Show
10.30am This Morning

12.30pm Loose Women
1.30pm ITV Lunchtime News
1.55pm ITV News London
2.00pm Judge Rinder
3.00pm Tenable
4.00pm Tipping Point
5.00pm The Chase

6.00pm ITV News London
6.20pm Party Election Broadcast
6.30pm ITV Evening News
7.00pm Emmerdale
7.30pm Devon and Cornwall Cops
8.00pm This Time Next Year
9.00pm The Royal Wives of Windsor
10.00pm ITV News at Ten and Weather
10.30pm ITV News London
10.45pm Harold Shipman
11.45pm The Durrells
12.35am Jackpot247
3.00am Loose Women
3.45am ITV Nightscreen

Channel 4

10.00pm Surviving the Island with Bear Grylls



7.10am 3rd Rock from the Sun
7.35am Everybody Loves Raymond
8.30am Frasier
10.05am Ramsay's Hotel Hell
11.00am Undercover Boss USA

12.00pm Channel 4 News
12.05pm Coast v Country
1.05pm Posh Pawnbrokers
2.10pm Countdown
3.00pm A Place in the Sun
4.00pm Escape to the Chateau: DIY
5.00pm Four in a Bed
5.30pm Buy it Now

6.00pm The Simpsons
6.30pm Hollyoaks
7.00pm Channel 4 News
8.00pm Class of Mum and Dad
9.00pm My F-ing Tourette's Family
10.00pm Surviving the Island with Bear Grylls
11.05pm Flight Hs 13: Walter Presents
12.00am Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
12.55am One Born Every Minute
1.50am The Supertv
2.45am The Channel

Channel 5

9.15am The Wright Stuff



8.20am Floogals
8.35am Digby Dragon
8.55am Rusty Rivets
9.05am Mofy
9.15am The Wright Stuff
11.15am Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!

12.10pm 5 News Lunchtime
12.15pm GPs: Behind Closed Doors
1.15pm Home and Away
1.45pm Neighbours
2.15pm NCIS
3.15pm Running for Her Life
5.00pm 5 News at 5
5.30pm Neighbours

6.00pm Home and Away
6.30pm 5 News Tonight
7.00pm World Rally Championship 2018
8.00pm The Yorkshire Vet
9.00pm British Airways
10.00pm Missing: Flight Mh370 - Inside the Situation Room
11.05pm The Secret Life of the Long-Haul Flight
12.30am Fail Army
1.00am Super Casino

Wednesday May 2nd

TOP TV

MORNING

AFTERNOON

EVENING

BBC 1

8.00pm Watchdog Live



9.15am Rip Off Britain
10.00am Homes Under the Hammer
11.00am AI: Britain's Longest Road
11.45am The Housing Enforcers

12.15pm Bargain Hunt
1.00pm BBC News at One
1.30pm Regional News and Weather
1.45pm Doctors
2.15pm 800 Words
3.00pm Escape to the Country
3.45pm Flipping Profit
4.30pm Flog It!
5.15pm Pointless

6.00pm BBC News at Six
6.30pm Regional News and Weather
7.00pm The One Show
8.00pm Watchdog Live
9.00pm Britain's Fat Fight with Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall
10.00pm BBC News at Ten
10.30pm Regional News and Weather
10.45pm A Question of Sport
11.15pm Ambulance
12.15am Weather for the Week Ahead
12.20am BBC News
6.00am Breakfast

BBC 2

10.00pm Detectorists



7.15am Rip Off Britain
8.00am See Hear
8.30am Great British Railway Journeys
9.00am Victoria Derbyshire
10.00am Snooker
11.30am The Daily Politics

1.00pm Snooker

6.00pm Eggheads
6.30pm Britain in Bloom
7.00pm Snooker
8.00pm Top of the Shop with Tom Kerridge
9.00pm Love in the Countryside
10.00pm Detectorists
10.30pm Newsnight
11.15pm World Championship Snooker Highlights
12.05am World Championship Snooker - Extra
2.05am See Hear
2.35am MasterChef

ITV

7.30pm Coronation Street



8.30am Lorraine
9.25am The Jeremy Kyle Show
10.30am This Morning

12.30pm Loose Women
1.30pm ITV Lunchtime News
1.55pm ITV News London
2.00pm Judge Rinder
3.00pm Tenable
4.00pm Tipping Point
5.00pm The Chase

6.00pm ITV News London
6.30pm ITV Evening News
7.00pm Emmerdale
7.30pm Coronation Street
8.00pm Britain's Busiest Airport - Heathrow
8.30pm Coronation Street
9.00pm Benidorm
10.00pm ITV News at Ten and Weather
10.30pm ITV News London
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Box ticking Skoda straight into top 10

By Tony Yates

EVERY week, I get a few dozen emails asking for suggestions on what is the best small to medium sized car to buy. Well, at first, I always say; 'pick what makes you happy', it's actually quite hard to give individual advice based on not having the full picture of their needs, and secondly, their budget. All I will say is that there are about ten vehicles right now, that I consider being pretty good, such as the VW UP! and the Fiat 500. Of course, there are others that spring to mind, such as the Kia Stonic. But, when it comes to small/medium SUVs, it's a little harder to judge. Well, to make it simple for you, this week's review of the Skoda Karoq, just happens to be one of those that fall inside my list of 'Top 10' vehicles to buy.

Power & efficiency

The Karoq I currently have on test is powered by a 150PS, 1.5 TSI petrol engine with a 6-speed manual gearbox and a respectable top speed of around 126mph. It also has a 0-62 time of 8.4 seconds, and



with little fuss, I managed a combined figure of around 50mpg. Actually, having 150PS in a Karoq, makes it move along at a really good pace and as I have found out with most of the TSi range of engines, they loved to be revved hard, which means you get the best out of it at every opportunity.

On the road

I like the way the Karoq handles – it

feels well balanced, and so it should, as its designed to be a proper family SUV, which I happen to like very much. Also, when the road gets twisty it's more than capable of holding its own. The steering also feels agile and direct, giving you the confidence to push harder into the corners, which also makes it feel fun to drive because it sticks firmly to the road ahead – something that Skoda always seems to get right when it comes to getting the best out of the chassis.

Equipment & tech

Some would say that most Skoda interiors seem a little bland, but there is a reason for this, its called being 'functional'. Let's face it, how many times have you sat inside a BMW and been overpowered with the array of buttons that frankly, you would need a BSc in Astrophysics to work them all out. Skoda does none of this in any of their vehicles, which is something I like because I am the sort of person who likes things to be 'unfussy'.

Although, I am quite fussy when it comes to seating, but the seating in the Karoq felt well constructed and the support was there in all the right places and even after a long journey I still felt very relaxed. As for all the dials and switches – they are laid out very well and as mentioned earlier, nothing looks awkwardly out of place and best of all, no university BSc required.

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Dream debut for goalscorer

By George Welch

ACADEMY product Kaine MacAuley had a dream debut for Basingstoke Town as the young dragon scored the late winner in their 1-0 win at Stratford Town.

The super sub replaced fellow youth teamer Harry Long for the final 10 minutes and made an instant impact.

He cut inside away from his marker before curling the ball into the back of the net to make it three wins in a row for the Dragons.

Departing Basingstoke boss Terry Brown was impressed by his substitute's influence.

"It's lovely to see," he said.

"Jason [Bristow, current Basingstoke academy manager and next season's first team boss] said 'put this boy on, he could do anything' and he scored the winner. Fair play to Jason and Kaine."

Basingstoke could have taken a half time lead, Sam Deadfield, Dan Bayliss, Jack McKnight and Long all going close.

The game was delayed for a few minutes in the second half when Bas-

ingstoke midfielder and man-of-the-match Dan Collier collided with a post.

Stratford went close with a couple of chances before MacAuley popped up with the 90th minute winner.

The Dragons took home the three points despite playing without some key players and a recognised forward.

Brown said: "It's a big win for us because we are on a decent run. The pitch wasn't conducive for playing good football and it could have gone either way."

"When you take Sam Argent, Ben Wright and Callum Bunting out of the team that's practically 60-odd goals out of the team."

"We didn't have a lot of goals on the pitch but we grew into the game. There were some really good performances. Fortune smiled on us and it's nice of us to receive the rub of the green away from home."

Fellow academy player Long also impressed the gaffer, who said he is likely to be involved in the club's pre-season programme.

Brown is expected to field more of the youngsters when Basingstoke play away at lowly St Ives Town - who



Basingstoke captain Guri Demuria ensured his team kept a clean sheet against Stratford. Picture: Stratford Town FC

play six games in 12 days - tonight (Thursday) in their last away game of the campaign.

'Stoke then entertain Kings Langley (21st) on Saturday in the season finale.

Sports Shorts

Tadley promoted

TADLEY Calleva will play ninth-tier football next season after a 2-0 home win against Laverstock & Ford secured promotion to the Wessex Premier Division.

A Brett Denham brace on Saturday locked in a top-three finish in Wessex Division One. They finished third after a 2-0 loss at Fawley on Monday.

Whitchurch United finished 13th. They won 2-0 at home to Totton & Eling on Saturday and beat second-placed Andover New Street 2-1 away from home on Monday.

Hogging the course

TEENAGER Tom Sadler brought up the field at the prestigious Hampshire Hog event, one of the country's premier competitions for amateur golfers.

The Basingstoke golfer carded rounds of 79 and 77 at the North Hants Golf Club earlier this month to finish 18-over par in 70th place.

The 16-year-old won the Centenary Salver at the same course in Fleet to qualify for the tournament.

Mitchell Waite, from Filton Golf Club in Bristol, won the competition on eight under par.

Slow start to season

ROB Collard will be hoping to put the disappointing start to the BTCC campaign behind him at this weekend's second round at Donington Park.

The north Hampshire driver endured a frustrating weekend at the season opener at Brands Hatch earlier this month.

Collard, from Eversley, finished 15th, 26th and recorded a DNF in Kent.

The 49-year-old finished sixth, second and 12th in the three Donington races last year, something he will want to replicate on Saturday and Sunday.

Ladies give up lead

BASINGSTOKE Bison Ladies surrendered their lead at the top of the table by losing 2-1 at Swindon Topcats on Saturday.

Lauren Pilbeam gave the visitors the lead within seven minutes but goals in the middle and final periods earned Swindon the win.

Streatham Storm beat Solent Amazons 5-0 to leapfrog Basingstoke at the top of South Division One.

Bison, who have two games in hand on the leaders, take on Swindon again on Sunday, this time at home.

Play-offs beckon for Row in battle for promotion

HARTLEY Wintney are preparing for an extended season after missing out on automatic promotion.

The Row beat Ashford Town away from home 1-0 on Saturday for a fourth win and clean sheet on the trot but lost touch with the top two after losing by the same scoreline at Kempston Rovers on Tuesday.

This, coupled with second-placed Beaconsfield Town's easy 4-0 win over AFC Dunstable the same evening, means Hartley have to settle for the Evo-Stik South East play-offs.

The results leave them in third place, four points off the automatic spots with a game to play. They are guaranteed to finish second or third.

Kempston's Jake Newman scored from a corner to end Hartley's hopes of avoiding the play-off gamble.

On Saturday, an opportunist goal from Paul Hodges and a faultless display from the Row central defenders made sure of the points against Ashford.

In an otherwise dull affair, the

breakthrough came on 76 minutes.

Ashford keeper Tyler Tobin spilt Dean Stow's shot and Hodges showed opportunistic instinct to follow in and head home for the winner.

Hartley's regular season comes to an end on Saturday with a home game against mid-table Aylesbury United (13th).

Century not enough to save Hampshire from defeat

HAMPSHIRE Cricket were hit for six in their second match of the Specsavers County Championships Division One falling 147 and 332 all out to Surrey's 211 all out and 407 for 9.

A brave century for Sam Northeast at the Kia Oval was not enough to prevent a Hampshire defeat by 139 runs over the weekend.

Surrey's 19-year-old spinner Amar Viridi finished with four for 79 to help his side to a 20-point win.

Off the field, Hampshire Cricket and the Southern Vipers announced their extended partnership with Serious Cricket last week.

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provide all the playing and teamwear for the Hampshire women's side as well as the male and female Hampshire Player Pathway sides.

Hampshire chief commercial officer Jonathan Crocker said: "We are very pleased to be associated with Serious Cricket and are looking forward to continuing our excellent relationship."

Hampshire Cricket also announced Charlotte Edwards as the club's director of women's cricket. The former England captain sealed a move to the Hampshire team in 2017 and will replace retiring Bob Parks.

Hampshire take on Essex at the Ageas Bowl tomorrow to Monday.



Left, Neil Rider, founder and managing director of Serious Cricket and right, Bob Parks, Hampshire Cricket's former director of Women's Cricket

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Handing over the day-to-day reins

By Owen Hughes

A BACKROOM shake-up at Basingstoke Town sees major changes for the first team next season.

The club confirmed on Monday that manager Terry Brown will stay on for next season but will step away from his role as first team manager to take on the title of director of football.

Former 'Stoke manager Jason Bristow will take over as first team manager for the 2018/19 season.

Bristow was replaced as first team manager in November 2015 by his former assistant Michael Gilkes, but retained his role of academy manager.

Bristow will now get another crack of the whip to lead first team duties, continuing to share training responsibilities with Brown.

Chief executive and company secretary David Knight said he was "pleased" that both Brown and Bristow will be staying on.

He said: "The model of being a full-time club will continue in principle, with it being adapted to allow for part time players to be integrated, as has happened in the latter part of this season.

"This announcement allows Terry and Jason to immediately start making plans for next season and discussions have already taken place with

several players.

"As it is known next season will be one of transition with the move to Winklebury, therefore it was felt key to ensure as much continuity as possible on the football management side of the club.

"This has been achieved through constructive and thoughtful discussions with both Terry and Jason."

Last month, Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council cabinet members unanimously approved a proposal to grant a long lease to Hampshire Football Association securing the move to Winklebury.

The move from the Evo-Stik South Premier side's current Camrose home will take place mid-way through next season.

In a statement, Brown said: "Having worked alongside Jason with our current squad over the last two years, I think it would be a mistake to break up the nucleus of this very talented young side.

"This season we have received considerable interest from several professional clubs for at least two of our current squad.

"Jason and I are looking to adapt

our training to allow more flexibility.

"The club can prosper again at Winklebury, but to do that we have to maintain and increase our supporter base.

"We can only do that by playing exciting football, that Basingstoke fans can be proud of contributing to and watching in the future."

Terry Brown will become Basingstoke Town's director of football and Jason Bristow will lead the first team

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